## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re th	he application of	of:	Attorney Docket No.: 1088.154US02								
	Thiede	2	Confirmation No.: 3554								
Applic	cation No.:	10/773,571	Examiner: Ryan D. Kwiecinski								
Filed:		February 6, 2004	Group Art Unit: 3635								
For:	MODULAR I	FLOOR									
	REQUEST	FOR CONTINUED EXAMIN	ATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL								
Comm P.O. B	Stop RCE hissioner for Pa Sox 1450 ndria, VA 2231										
Sir:											
	This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-										
identif	fied application										
1.	Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114										
	a. [ ]	under 37 CFR § 1.116 said prior application.	sent application the unentered Amendment, with any attachments, filed on in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief								

## b. [X] Enclosed

[ ]

[X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

[ ] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

[X] Other Petition for Extension of Period for Response

previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra (Equals)	Small Entity Rate	Fee	OR	Large Entity Rate	Fee
Total	24	- 28**	= 0	x 26	\$		x 52	\$
Indep.	3	- 3***	= 0	x 110	\$		x 220	\$
RCE fee				+ 405	\$		+ 810	\$810
Mult. Dep.			=	+ 195	\$		+ 390	\$
	•			TOTAL	\$	OR	TOTAL	\$810

<sup>[ ]</sup> First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim [MDC]

- \* If the entry in Column 1 is less than the entry in Column 2, write "0" in Column 3.
- \*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- \*\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

  The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Column 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.
- 3. [X] Electronic payment is submitted by credit card (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.